

# North Carolina Weather & Crops Report

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## CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 2, 2014

**GENERAL:** Days suitable for field work 5.7. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 19% short, 76% adequate and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 16% short, 79% adequate and 4% surplus. Many central and western counties received light rain and most temperatures were slightly above normal for the week. Reported crop progress data for the week showed soybeans leaf drop at 93% and harvest at 30%. Cotton harvested at 50%. Reports for corn harvested for grain rose to 96%. Burley tobacco harvested is at 93%. Sweet potato harvest is at 86%, peanut harvest rose to 80%. Apple harvest rose to 94%. Small grain planting continued to progress with barley reported at 58%, wheat at 37% and oats planted at 46%.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENT – WITH COMPARISONS				
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
<b>PHENOLOGICAL:</b>				
Soybeans % Leaf Drop	93	85	93	94
Wheat Emerged	21	13	13	12
<b>PLANTED:</b>				
Barley	58	41	62	68
Oats	46	36	74	63
Wheat	37	22	35	34
<b>HARVESTED:</b>				
Apples	94	90	88	93
Corn for Grain	96	92	98	98
Cotton	50	34	28	49
Hay 3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting	90	87	79	85
Peanuts Threshed	80	64	91	83
Sorghum	43	33	69	n/a
Soybeans	30	21	18	26
Sweet Potato	86	78	79	85
Tobacco: Burley	93	88	100	100

CROP CONDITION PERCENT					
	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	0	0	10	86	4
Cotton	0	3	23	56	18
Pasture	1	10	36	47	6
Sorghum	0	2	28	54	16
Soybeans	1	4	19	60	16

VP = Very Poor P = Poor F = Fair G = Good EX = Excellent

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENT				
	VS	ST	A	SS
Topsoil Moisture	1	19	76	4
Subsoil Moisture	1	16	79	4

VS= Very Short ST = Short A = Adequate SS = Surplus

We had a taste of winter late in the week as temperatures dropped into the 20's and we received the first snow of the season. Snowfall amounts were highly variable with most valleys receiving 2-4 inches and upward of a foot of snow in higher elevations. Main farm activities included tending livestock and preparing for Christmas tree harvest.

**Stanley Holloway – Yancey County Extension**

Harvest activities continued with many field finally being finished with tobacco. Soybean harvest is picking up, along with wheat planting following tobacco. Cool season grasses are still growing well, and there is still some hay being harvested. Pastures are in pretty good shape, but with projected freezing temperatures, grass growth will slow. Some farmers are feeding some hay, but pastures are still supplying good amounts of forage.

**Paul Westfall – Granville County Extension**

Peanut harvest is continuing, with very good yields in most areas. Soybeans look to also be very good with the leaves now off of them.

**Don Nicholson – Agronomist Region 7**

Wheat planting going well. Most all full season soybeans have been harvested, and double-cropped soybeans are being harvested as they reach maturity. Soybean harvest has gone well to date

**Tommy Grandy– Currituck County Extension**

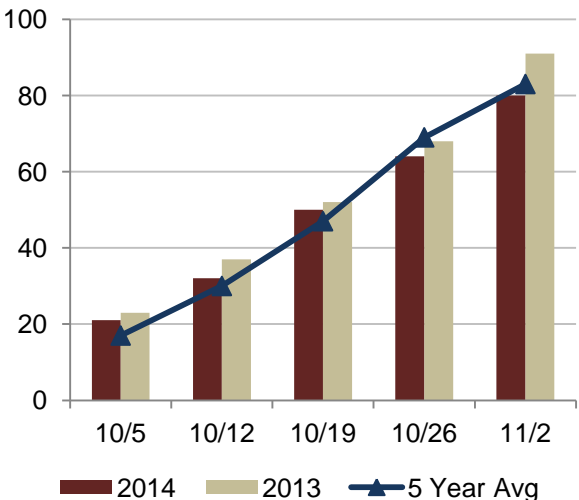
Corn harvest is almost complete. Soybean harvest is progressing. Cotton has yet to be harvested. Some wheat is being planted. Weather continues to be favorable for all conditions.

**Daniel Simpson– Pamlico County Extension**

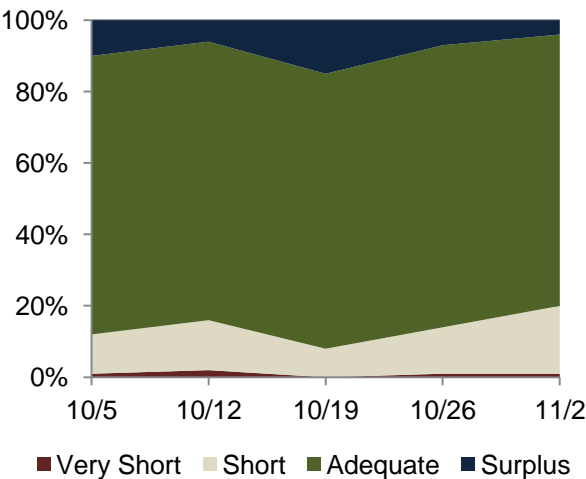
Tobacco harvest was completed this week for all farmers. A few tobacco farmers used neighbors barns to get remaining tobacco in before predicted frost this weekend. Sweetpotato harvest is finished or nearing completion. Many H2A workers boarded buses this week heading for home. Cattle farms busy planting cool season grasses and overseeding warm season pastures.

**Brian Parrish –Harnett County Extension**

PEANUTS THRESHED



TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT



WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 2, 2014									
Location	Precipitation (Inches) <sup>1</sup>				Temperature (Degrees F.)				
	This Week		Year To Date		This Week				Degree Days (Year to Date)
	Total	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	High	Low	Avg.	Departure from Normal	
Asheboro	0.92	0.15	39.37	-1.06	83	36	56	1	4227
Asheville	0.16	-0.63	40.88	0.79	78	31	52	1	3617
Burlington	0.13	-0.57	30.18	-8.97	84	37	57	3	4460
Charlotte	0.77	-0.03	39.38	2.17	84	30	58	2	4625
Clayton	0.44	-0.26	55.91	16.35	82	37	56	1	4231
Clinton	0.27	-0.36	39.62	-3.62	83	38	58	1	4668
Dunn	0.39	-0.27	38.85	-3.38	84	39	58	4	4765
Elizabeth City	0.17	-0.41	34.75	-6.30	84	40	61	4	4637
Fayetteville	0.16	-0.47	35.62	-5.31	85	40	61	5	5222
Gastonia-Gaston	0.71	-0.06	42.85	4.56	83	30	59	4	4505
Goldsboro	0.17	-0.47	46.11	2.91	84	39	60	2	4985
Greensboro	1.18	0.52	31.57	-5.73	83	36	57	4	4414
Greenville	0.11	-0.52	51.17	7.67	83	41	58	1	4797
Hickory	0.41	-0.40	37.93	-4.06	80	33	56	2	4241
Jefferson	0.07	-0.75	40.54	-1.26	77	28	47	0	2510
Kinston	0.16	-0.47	45.21	0.27	85	38	58	2	4640
Maxton	0.32	-0.38	34.37	-7.65	85	36	61	4	4950
Mount Airy	0.47	-0.29	34.20	-6.22	81	32	51	0	3517
New Bern	0.22	-0.48	46.93	-0.88	86	43	63	4	5341
North Wilkesboro	0.38	-0.46	38.35	-5.41	82	35	53	3	3683
Oxford	0.40	-0.37	40.19	0.86	81	39	55	2	4140
Raeford	0.43	-0.27	40.72	-1.30	84	36	58	1	4475
Raleigh-Durham	0.79	0.13	47.11	9.88	84	40	59	4	4636
Roanoke Rapids	0.34	-0.43	47.55	7.68	83	41	57	3	4398
Robbinsville	0.72	-0.24	47.33	-7.74	80	25	50	-2	3347
Roxboro	0.39	-0.45	45.54	5.47	83	36	54	2	3868
Statesville	0.83	0.09	32.34	-6.91	81	31	54	-1	3711
Vale	0.86	-0.05	38.43	-2.61	81	32	55	0	3849
Washington	0.20	-0.50	45.85	2.28	82	39	57	0	4672
Waynesville	0.35	-0.38	39.48	-1.66	81	28	49	1	3175
Whiteville	0.54	-0.02	44.31	-0.01	85	40	60	2	4794
Williamston	0.04	-0.66	47.94	4.37	83	40	58	1	4607
Willimington	0.84	0.23	50.77	0.56	84	41	63	3	5310
Wilson	0.29	-0.34	48.23	7.78	83	41	57	2	4978
Winston-Salem	1.29	0.63	31.07	-6.23	82	35	56	3	4321

<sup>1</sup> Precipitation data considered preliminary

